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### **VISITORS TO SESQUICENTENNIAL EVENTS ARRIVING**

*Motorists can help reduce congestion on Routes 24, 26, 656 and 460*

**LYNCHBURG** – Visitors to and participants in the sesquicentennial events at Appomattox Courthouse have started to arrive and the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) continues to encourage motorists driving to and from the Appomattox National Historical Park (NHP), Museum of the Confederacy (MOC), and reenactment battle activities at the Appomattox Commerce and Business Center (ACBC) from Wednesday, April 8, 2015 thru Sunday, April 12, 2015 to follow recommended traffic patterns as posted on signs and message boards.

VDOT and the National Park Service (NPS) have placed signs and changeable message boards throughout the region to assist travelers. Highway Advisory Radio (HAR) is also broadcasting traffic information over Channel 1610 AM and 530 AM. Motorists should be particularly aware of heavy vehicular traffic along Routes 460, 24, 26 and 656 for several miles approaching the

Town of Appomattox.

- From Lynchburg, motorists traveling east on Route 460 toward the event activities should use the right lane for access to the reenactment battles at the ACBC, Museum of the Confederacy (MOC) and Appomattox National Historical Park (NHP). Thru traffic should use the left lane until reaching the Route 460 Business interchange, east of the Town of Appomattox. Traffic in the right lane can expect delays and will need to be alert for stopped vehicles.
- From Farmville, motorists traveling west on Route 460 toward the event activities should use the right lane for access to the MOC, NHP and reenactments (ACBC). Thru traffic should use the left lane until reaching the Route 460 Business interchange, west of the Town of Appomattox.
- From Dillwyn, motorists traveling west on Route 24 toward the event activities should watch for slowed/stopped traffic, signs providing information to shuttle locations, and other traffic announcements.

Traffic following Route 26 should watch for signs and message boards to access events.

Motorists should expect heavy merging traffic each day throughout the event at on ramps from the Routes 24 and 26 interchanges as activities close

Those attending the activities should closely follow directional information and plan to arrive early and expect heavy traffic and delays.

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